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ASEAN IN JFY 1978

1. SUMMARY. JAPAN IS IN PROCESS OF WORKING OUT JFY 1978
TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PLANS FOR ASEAN COUNTRIES. PROGRAM
FOR THAILAND, WHICH IS EXPECTED REPRESENT "REASONABLE
INCREASE" OVER FY 1977, ALREADY HAS BEEN PREPARED IN
SOME DETAIL AND IS PRESENTED BELOW. END SUMMARY.

2. THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS HAS WORKED OUT THE
OUTLINES OF JAPAN'S TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO THAILAND
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FOR FY 1978 LARGELY ON THE BASIS OF INFORMATION AND
RECOMMENDATIONS PROVIDED BY A RECENT JAPANESE GOVERN-
MENT MISSION TO THAT COUNTRY. THE MISSION VISITED
THAILAND FROM MAY 17 TO MAY 22; IT WAS LED BY SHOSHICHI
KOWATA, DIRECTOR OF THE FIRST TECHNICAL COOPERATION
DIVISION IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS. JAPAN'S
PLANNED TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO THAILAND MAY BE

CATEGORIZED AS FOLLOWS, WITH FY 1977 FIGURES WHERE THESE ARE AVAILABLE. THE FEW COMPARISONS AVAILABLE HAPPEN TO BE FOR PROGRAMS CONTINUING AT ROUGHLY THE SAME LEVEL AS LAST YEAR'S.

- A) TRAINING:

- (1) THAI TRAINEES IN JAPAN - 247 PERSONS (141 FOR GROUP AND 106 FOR INDIVIDUAL TRAINING; DURING JFY 1977 JAPAN RECEIVED 242 THAI TRAINEES AN INCREASE OF 25 OVER THE 217 ORIGINALLY ANTICIPATED).
- (2) TRAINING OF ABOUT TEN NOMINEES FROM NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES AT KING MONGKUT INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY TELECOMMUNICATION TRAINING CENTER, THAILAND.
- (3) SENDING OF UP TO 37 EXPERTS IN VARIOUS FIELDS FOR A PERIOD OF THREE MONTHS OR LONGER. (JAPAN SENT 38 EXPERTS IN JFY 1977 UNDER THIS PROGRAM.)

- B) SUPPLY OF EQUIPMENT AND MATERIALS:

- (1) EQUIPMENT AND MATERIALS FOR UPLAND AGRICULTURE (ABOUT 20 MILLION YEN).
- (2) DENTAL EQUIPMENT (ABOUT 8 MILLION YEN).
(NOTE: IN JFY 1977 JAPAN SUPPLIED FOR EQUIPMENT AND UNCLASSIFIED

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MATERIALS WORTH ABOUT 20 MILLION YEN FOR PLANT PATHOLOGY PROGRAM, BUT DID NOT COMPLETE INTENDED DESPATCH OF 45 MILLION YEN WORTH OF EQUIPMENT FOR RIVER POLLUTION CONTROL PROGRAM.)

- C) DEVELOPMENT SURVEYS (CONDUCTED AT REQUEST OF RECIPIENT GOVERNMENT. THESE MAY INCLUDE VARIOUS SERVICES INCLUDING PREPARATION OF FEASIBILITY STUDIES, OCCASIONAL MARKET RESEARCH, AND MASTER PLANNING):

- (1) TOURISM DEVELOPMENT IN PATTHAYA.
- (2) ROAD CONSTRUCTION.
- (3) CONSOLIDATION OF IRRIGATION SYSTEMS.
- (4) SURVEY FOR MASS TRANSIT SYSTEMS IN BANGKOK.
- (5) CONSOLIDATION OF TELEPHONE NETWORK.
- (6) CONSOLIDATION OF KASETSART UNIVERSITY
(PREPARATORY SURVEY FOR A GRANT TO BE GIVEN TO THIS

UNIVERSITY MENTIONED BELOW ITEM E-2).

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- D) PACKAGE-TYPE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE (UNDER WHICH
RECIPIENT COUNTRY PROVIDES FUNDAMENTAL NECESSITIES SUCH
AS BUILDINGS, AND JAPAN ASSISTS WITH THE PROVISION OF
EQUIPMENT, MATERIALS, EXPERTS, AND/OR AIDS TO
MAINTENANCE);

- (1) TRAINING OF NURSES.

- (2) DEVELOPMENT PROJECT OF COASTAL FISHING.

- (3) ASSISTANCE TO KING MONGKUT INSTITUTE OF
TECHNOLOGY (VARIOUS FORMS OF ASSISTANCE TO THE RESEARCH
INSTITUTE IN THIS TECHNICAL COLLEGE).

- (4) ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS FOR KASETSART UNIVERSITY.
(JAPAN CONDUCTS SURVEYS, HELPS CONSTRUCTION AND SENDS
EXPERTS IN LINE WITH THIS UNIVERSITY'S DEVELOPMENT AND
CONSOLIDATION PROGRAM.)

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- E) GRANT AID (FOR TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE):
 - (1) ASSISTANCE FOR INCREASING FOOD PRODUCTION (NO SPECIFIC PROGRAM YET DECIDED ON).
 - (2) CONSTRUCTION OF RESEARCH INSTITUTE FOR KASETSART UNIVERSITY.
 - (3) JAPANESE LANGUAGE LABORATORIES TO BE INSTALLED IN UNIVERSITIES.
 - (4) MISCELLANEOUS.

3. IN ADDITION, THE MINISTRY PLANS TO SEND TWO OTHER MISSIONS IN THE MIDDLE OF JUNE IN ORDER TO GATHER INFORMATION NECESSARY FOR DRAWING UP THE OUTLINES OF JAPAN'S TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO OTHER ASEAN COUNTRIES. ONE MISSION, HEADED BY SECOND TECHNICAL COOPERATION DIVISION DIRECTOR TOSHIAKI TANABE, IS SCHEDULED TO VISIT THE PHILIPPINES FROM JUNE 11 TO JUNE 17 AND SINGAPORE FROM JUNE 17 TO JUNE 20. THE OTHER MISSION, HEADED BY DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION DIVISION DIRECTOR MINORU KUBOTA, PLANS TO VISIT INDONESIA FROM JUNE 12 TO JUNE 18 AND MALAYSIA FROM JUNE 18 TO JUNE 21. IT IS EXPECTED, THEREFORE, THAT THE OUTLINES OF JAPAN'S FY 1978 TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO ALL ASEAN COUNTRIES WILL BE WORKED OUT BY THE END OF JUNE. MANSFIELD

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